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Dear Dr. Sundlof,

As a physician retired from the practice of medicine, I have become increasingly alarmed by the growing numbers of reports of the development of antibiotic resistance. The looming threats to human health may be very great-thus this resistance must be guarded against in whatever way we can. Foremost, in addition to vigilance about the proper indications for prescribing these medicines by practitioners, the practice of using antibiotics for growth enhancement in livestock must be eliminated. Administering the drugs is completely unnecessary and poses an enormous threat to human health options. I urge the Federal Drug Administration to ban this practice before the problem becomes insurmountable and we become victims of the livestock industry.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours sincerely,

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